

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Amend the specification as follows:

On Page 21, line 3, please make the following change:

For the transformation of 4-nitrobenzonitrile **2** into the pyrimidine **3** was conducted using a similar procedure as described in European Patent Application ~~0225725 A1~~ 0225726 A1; incorporated herein by reference. The pyrimidine **3** was protected using Boc₂O(di-tert-butyl dicarbonate) to yield Boc-protected compound **4**, which was then reduced to intermediate **1**.

On Page 29, line 27, please make the following change:

Intermediate **1** was prepared as shown in Scheme 2, using a similar procedure as described in European Patent Application ~~0225725 A1~~ 0225726 A1.